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GOV. EASLEY TO PARTICIPATE IN READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY Will Read to Elementary School Students in Raleigh and Greensboro

RALEIGH – As part of the national Read Across America celebration, Gov. Mike Easley will read his new children's book, "Look Out College, Here I Come," to students at Washington Elementary School (1000 Fayetteville Street) in Raleigh on March 2 (FRIDAY) at 10:00 a.m. He will read "Look Out College, Here I Come" and "The Cat in the Hat" by Dr. Seuss to pre-kindergarten and elementary students at Hampton Leadership Academy (2301 Trade Street) in Greensboro at 2:20 p.m.

Read Across America is an annual national program sponsored by the National Education Association, which focuses on reading motivation and awareness. The month-long program begins each year on or around the birthday of Dr. Seuss, which is March 2nd. At 2:36 p.m. in Greensboro, Easley will join students, educators and families all across the nation who will read the 236 words of "*The Cat in the Hat.*"

Directions to Washington Elementary School:

Take I-40 to South Saunders Street (exit 298 B). Follow South Saunders Street to South McDowell Street. Take the Western Boulevard/Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard exit and turn right onto Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Turn right onto Fayetteville Street. Washington Elementary School will be on the left.

Directions to Hampton Leadership Academy:

From Raleigh: Take I-40 west to Greensboro. Follow I-40/I-85 to East Lee Street (exit 41). Keep right at the fork in the road on Lee Street. Turn right onto Avalon Road. Turn right onto Trade Street. Hampton Leadership Academy will be on the right.

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